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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Masahiro SANO, et al.
SERIAL NO: 10/518,541
FILED: January 3, 2005
FOR: FIBER PROCESSING AGENT AND FIBER PROCESSED WITH THE FIBER PROCESSING AGENT



"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-
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GROUP 1774"

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Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.116** in the above-identified application.

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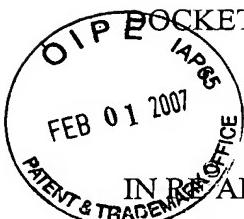
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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated November 15, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.